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COLLABORATIVE AUTHORIZING OF
HIERARCHICAL DOCUMENTS WITH
NODE PRIVILEGES

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**REQUEST FOR CONTINUED EXAMINATION AND
AMENDMENT AFTER FINAL OFFICE ACTION UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.114**

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INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 19, 2006, finally rejecting claims 1-67, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification begin on page 3 of this paper.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 5 of this paper.

Amendments to the Drawings begin on page 13 of this paper and include attached replacement sheets.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 14 of this paper.

An **Appendix** including amended drawing figures is attached following page 19 of this paper.